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MEMORANDUM FOR:

SUBJECT

: Redesignation of Agency Auditorium

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- I do want you to know, however, that several other ideas are under active consideration to memorialize Mr. Welch and as our thoughts crystallize, our employees will be kept aware. I again thank you very much for your idea which indeed has considerable merit.

W. E. Colby Director

ORIGINATED/BY:

/s/ John F. Blake

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John F. Blake Deputy Director for Administration

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MEMORANDUM FOR: William E. Colby

Director of Central Intelligence

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: Re-designation of Agency

Auditorium

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